



# Indiana State Excise Police News Release

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## **For Immediate Release**

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## **Indiana State Excise Police Arrest 107 in Bloomington**

**BLOOMINGTON, Ind.** – Indiana State Excise Police officers issued 107 summonses in Bloomington from August 24 – August 27, 2006, the week before classes began at Indiana University.

“Our officers worked cooperatively with several Bloomington alcoholic beverage retailers in an effort to catch underage patrons attempting to purchase alcoholic beverages,” Officer Travis Thickstun said. “Several stores requested our assistance because of past problems at the start of the I.U. school year.”

ISEP officers also offer free training programs for alcohol and tobacco businesses, not only on basic alcohol and tobacco laws, but in how to spot false identification.

Most summonses issued this week were for illegal consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages. The following is a list of some of charges filed by ISEP officers:

- \*Sixty-two (62) minors were charged with illegal possession, consumption, or transportation of alcoholic beverages.
- \*Eighteen (18) minors were charged with possession of false identification.
- \*Eleven (11) adults were arrested for furnishing alcoholic beverages to a minor.
- \*Three (3) people were arrested on drug possession charges.
- \*Thirteen (13) additional charges were filed for a variety of offenses.

Throughout the week’s enforcement initiative, excise officers worked with officers from the Bloomington Police Department, Monroe County Sheriff’s Department, and Indiana State Police.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission.